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Village Offers Residents a Community Garden

CANAL WINCHESTER – The Village of Canal Winchester has announced it will provide its residents with a community garden again this year. The garden will be located in the grassy area behind Bolenbaugh Hardware referred to as Emma's Meadow.

Any village resident can utilize the garden for free, but must first fill out an application and sign a release form. The village will supply the land, with each plot measuring 10 feet by 20 feet. The applicant assumes responsibility for maintenance and care of the gardening plot as well as supplying any needed water.

“There are a lot of citizens who can't have gardens due to yard size and subdivision restrictions,” shared Chris Strayer, development director for the Village of Canal Winchester. “This space is a nice way to provide these residents the ability to have a garden.”

Residents will be able to begin planting in April and the garden will last through the end of the growing season. Village citizens who are interested in taking part in the community garden may pick up an application and release form at the village's municipal building located at 36 S. High Street.

“A community garden is something I had seen in other communities and had heard positive comments from citizens about having one here,” said Victor Paini, council vice president for the Village of Canal Winchester. “Not only is it something that has very little cost to implement, it is also a great way to bring people downtown, maintain green space and encourage residents to interact with each other.”

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